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Dear Mr. Andrews:

Enclosed is our Supplementary Amendment in response to your Advisory Action dated January 14, 2004, regarding Application No. 09/852,866 for claims 1, 2 and 4-13 and additional remarks we wish to submit for your further consideration.

Very truly yours,

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Charlotte, North Carolina January 21, 2004

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

The following amendment is a Supplemental Amendment to the December 8, 2003 (received on December 10tth) amendment, which was responsive to the Examiner's Final Official Action dated October 22, 2003, and furthermore this Supplemental Amendment is responsive to the Examiner's Advisory Action mailed on January 14, 2004.

The Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2. The Remarks /Arguments begin on page 5.

Claims 1,2 and 4-13 were pending.

Claims 2, 7 and 11 have been canceled in this response.